GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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CONSUMPTION OF WILD MUSHROOMS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any directions to various States to prevent consumption of unidentified mushroom in view of deaths of many persons due to consumption of such Mushroom in various districts of Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Assam and other State Governments to such directions?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)to(c): The Government of Assam has already sent experts team involving scientists of Assam Agricultural University for inquiry into deaths occurred due to consumption of wild and poisonous mushroom.

Based on the advice of experts of the Assam Agricultural University, the Govt. of Assam has already issued directions to all the district authorities to advice people not to consume wild and unidentified mushrooms.